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## SUMMARY OF THE DAY.

Police Commissioners were much exercised yesterday over copies of two Assembly bills which, if enacted into law, would curtail the power of the Police Commission.

Miss Nellie Truvelo of the Salvation Army was made a special police officer yesterday.

William A. Spaulding was chosen secretary of the Civil Service Commission. Frank Seppi refused to give testimony against his father in the murder trial yesterday, and was sent to jail for contempt of court.

Evidence was brought to light yesterday to show that George Hanauer, who murdered his wife, had an insane mother.

Ward and Hanna, highwaymen, were arraigned in the Police Court yesterday and will have their hearing this morning.

John Doran and his wife were arraigned for detaining a minor girl in a house of prostitution on Spring street.

## AT THE CITY HALL.

**BILLA STARTLE**  
POLICE COMMISSION.

REMARKABLE MEASURES INTRODUCED IN STATE ASSEMBLY.

Local Commissioners fear that the bills, if they become law, will affect Los Angeles and will destroy the usefulness of the Police Board.

Assembly bills, Nos. 921 and 922, both introduced by Assemblyman Lux on February 21, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations, are giving the Police Commission some concern. Civic organizations have taken steps to investigate the bills and make such recommendations to the Assembly regarding them as may seem proper.

"Talk about a 'wide-open town,'" exclaimed Mayor Harbo yesterday, "if those bills become law the Police Commission might just as well go out of business. They would throw every door in the State open to all sorts of abuse of the liquor privileges. I don't know where the bills originated, but they are so palpably in the interest of the liquor interests and policemen, that I conclude they came originally from San Francisco."

"These bills are the worst I ever saw," declared Commissioner A. P. Maginnia, who met with the board for the first time yesterday.

Secretary Frank Higgins of the Chamber of Commerce brought the bills to the attention of the Police Commissioners, after the adjournment of the regular session yesterday morning.

Assembly bill No. 921, is sufficiently well described by the heading, which reads as follows:

"An act providing that, in any city, or city and county in this State, where by general law or by charter the board of police commissioners of such city or city and county is authorized and empowered upon a hearing to revoke permits or licenses for the sale of liquor in less quantity than one quart, or to revoke permits or licenses to any person engaged in the business of selling liquor to be drunk on the premises, when it shall appear to such board that the business of such person is conducted in a disorderly or improper manner, and providing for the hearing and procedure for such hearing, and providing that superior courts and all courts of competent jurisdiction shall have the power to inquire into the question of the revocation of such hearing, review the evidence given thereon, and make orders and render judgments in relation thereto, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith."

Section 1 of this act provides that copies of any charges against the management of a saloon must be served on the board of police commissioners at least five days before the time set for hearing; that the accused shall be represented by counsel; that all testimony and proceedings at the trial shall be taken in shorthand and transcribed at the cost of the city, and that no board of commission shall have the power to revoke a license arbitrarily.

The provision in the bill which is regarded with the closest scrutiny is section 2, which reads:

"Superior courts and all courts of competent jurisdiction, shall have the power by proper proceedings instituted for that purpose, to inquire as to the regularity of proceedings of boards of police commissioners upon all such hearings as are mentioned in this act, and to review the evidence adduced upon such hearings, and to make orders and render judgments in relation thereto, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith."

It is pointed out by the Police Commissioners that if a license should be revoked by the Police Commission, the proprietor might continue his business for a long period before his case could be finally settled in the Supreme Court to which it is said appeal could be had under the law.

There is some doubt in the minds of attorneys, however, as to whether this act would apply to Los Angeles, for the reason that there is nothing in the charter compelling the Police Commission to grant a hearing in the first place, and such hearings are only given through courtesy by the Police Commission.

Assembly bill No. 922, provides in similar manner for the review of trials of police officers in any city where the general law or the charter demands a hearing of charges. Section 1 of this bill provides that the board of police commissioners must provide a complete set of rules and must state what penalty shall attach to the violation of any certain rule. It is further provided "that such rules shall be reasonable and couched in plain and concise language, so that the same may be easily understood by persons of ordinary education and understanding."

The bill also says that the penalties provided must be reasonable, and must be published so that he who runs may read.

Section 2 says that no policeman shall be discharged until after a full, fair and impartial hearing, the accused to be served with a notice of the charges and to be served with a notice of the hearing.

Section 3 reads as follows: "In any city, or city and county, as is mentioned in section 1 of this act, where the right to hold the office of police officer is dependent upon the good behavior of such officer or member subject to reasonable rules and regulations of the board of police

commissioners thereof, such right to hold such office is hereby declared to be a substantial right of which he shall not be deprived arbitrarily, nor summarily, nor otherwise than upon a hearing as hereinbefore in this act provided. Superior courts and all courts of competent jurisdiction shall have the power by proper proceedings instituted for that purpose, to inquire as to the regularity of proceedings of boards of police commissioners upon all such hearings as are mentioned in this act, and to review the evidence adduced upon such hearings, and to make orders and render judgments in relation thereto, and repealing all acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith."

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**AT THE COURT HOUSE.**  
**MURDERER'S SON**  
JAILED FOR CONTEMPT.

FLATLY REFUSED TO TESTIFY AGAINST HIS FATHER.

Young Seppi Boy Genuinely Took His Medicine and Was Locked Up, but Would Not Relent and Tell the Story of His Mother's Death.

Seppi's little son, Luis, was sent to jail yesterday because he refused to testify at his father's murder trial. It was just what he vowed to do. This slim boy with a face as sweet as a girl's, stood up in court and coolly defied the law of California.

After the first preliminary testimony, Maj. Donnell called Seppi to the stand. The boy was sitting in the courtroom at the side of his father, where he had been all the morning.

Somebody shoved the boy forward and he came to the clerk's desk, where so many hundreds of witnesses have been sworn before. He stood there, white in the face, but did not raise his hand when the clerk raised his.

The clerk nodded at him curiously and told him to put up his hand. The boy answered sullenly: "I won't be sworn."

Judge Smith peered wonderingly over the edge of the bench. He wanted to see what amazing sort of man it was who would dare to defy the court. "What," he said in astonishment, "what, you refuse to be sworn?"

"Yes," said the boy sullenly. "Who told you not to be sworn?" demanded the court.

"Nobody," said the boy. "Didn't these lawyers tell you not to testify?" the court asked him. The boy said no one had told him not to testify.

Judge Smith looked down at him reluctantly. "Well, I will have to send you to jail," he said.

The boy said defiantly that he didn't care. The court then formally adjudged him to be in contempt of court and sent him to jail for five days.

The boy went out in charge of the bailiff. On the way down to jail he said he would stay in jail forever if necessary, but he would not give testimony against his father.

Seppi's two other children were called and also refused to testify. One is a little girl, the other a boy—both younger than Luis. They were not sent to jail.

This boy Luis was perhaps the most important witness that could be called against Seppi. He was almost an eyewitness to the killing of his mother.

He and his father talked the matter over before the killing and decided that the boy should not give any evidence against his father. He heard Seppi tell her that he would shoot; he saw the father dress and load his gun; he saw him shoot; then he ran out and just as he got outside he heard the shot that ended his mother's life.

The children of Seppi are said to have been arrayed against their mother or account of her constant nagging and pestering. She is said to have kept poison in the house and to have constantly threatened to put it in the family food. Seppi has always been good to the children.

Without the testimony of the children the prosecution is greatly handicapped. One of the chief witnesses for the prosecution was a man named Ellis, who lived near the Seppis at Arroyo.

"He came over to the house a few minutes after the shooting and saw Mrs. Seppi dying on the floor. He turned to Seppi in horror. 'Seppi,' he said, 'in the name of goodness, what have you done?'"

Seppi said: "I have killed her and I am glad of it." He said she was the meanest woman on earth and he had to shoot her for the sake of the children. Seppi made no objections to giving up the revolver and to being placed under arrest.

In the face of hot protests from the defense, Judge Smith permitted the prosecution to go into a long history of the family rows of the Seppi and to tell of other times when the Austrian was driven to fury against the woman.

On one occasion Seppi beat his wife over the head with a shovel handle and knocked one of her eyes out on her cheek. A doctor had to take forty stitches in her head and face. This action was gone into in great detail.

The defense cross-examined these witnesses with a view of showing that the victim was a woman of ill repute and that Seppi was a man of good character.

A woman named Bradigan, who had worked for the Seppi, gave sensational testimony. She said that one night Seppi got out a revolver and a knife and threatened to slaughter the whole family.

On cross-examination she admitted that Seppi was at that time very ill with sickness which was in "spasms" or "fits," when he was out of his mind. She said that it was in one of these fits that Seppi made the threats. While he stood there with the gun in his hand the doctor came and administered morphine and he had to put him to bed.

Mrs. Bradigan testified on cross-examination that the Seppi was a good man and was kind and affectionate to the children.

Mr. Bradigan testified on cross-examination that Mr. Seppi's fit on this occasion was complicated with dago red.

been understood from the fact that the commissioners have had in their possession a composite set of rules made up from the rules obtaining in several eastern cities and covering 125 typewritten pages. During the week one of the board members found time to read the transcript through. All the commissioners confessed that the more they read the more confused they became, and so it was decided to have the secretary struggle with the problem.

The list of those who desired to secure the position of secretary to the commission included George N. Nolan, Albert M. Norton, J. L. Dunsmuir, W. H. Brown, W. R. Gulberson, W. St. Clair Crockett and Charles W. McKim.

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## The Hamburger Store

## \$1.00 More Velours at 69c.

As an exceptional trade winner from our silk department Wednesday, an assortment of 800 yards of new more velour; tan, brown, pearl, gray, green, royal, navy, blue, pink, red, purple, and black; handsome antique patterns of soft quality, very firm, 30 inches wide and an actual \$1.00 value, for the one day per yard.....

69c

## Boys' 35c Caps 13c.

Of fine velvet corduroy, mouse, brown or mixed colorings, newest golf style, lined with a good quality serge, all sizes. Wednesday only.....

13c

## Boys' 25c Waists at 15c.

Spring opening flannel waists, button style, neat dark patterns, gray, brown or blue, second quality, double sewed, good washable colors, sizes 8 to 18 years. Priced for Wednesday.....

15c

## New Styles in Spring Gloves.

As we do our own direct importing and select our own skins before the gloves are made we not only are absolutely assured of the quality of the gloves as purchased, but by saving all middlemen's profits can retail them to our trade at less than small dealers buy them at wholesale. Our spring importation has been in some little time and was especially featured a short time ago by an opening sale. To keep you still interested we re-imported some of the best lines, any of which you will not find a duplicate for in this city at within 25 to 33 1-3 per cent. of the prices.

## LADIES' 3-CLASP KID GLOVES—

Black, white and all popular colors; actual \$1.25 value priced at per pair.....

\$1.25

## 3-CLASP "LA MAZON" KID GLOVES—

Black, white and all popular colors; actual \$1.50 value priced at per pair.....

\$1.50

## 3-CLASP "LA CIGALE" KID GLOVES—

Black, white and all popular colors; actual \$1.00 value priced at per pair.....

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## REAL FRENCH KID GLOVES—

2 and 3 clasp styles, black and colors; actual \$1.10 value priced at per pair.....

\$1.10

## LADIES' SILK TAFFETA GLOVES—

2 clasp; also pure silk and heavy three clasp styles; actual \$1.00 value priced at per pair.....

50c

## 50c Sale of Undermuslins.

These new garments priced cheaper than you would pay for the material or have them made. They are all well finished, amply proportioned, of good quality and nicely trimmed.

## FINE CAMBRIC DRAWERS—embroidered style,

have ruffles trimmed with lace and fine embroidery; no better sold elsewhere under 75c, priced for Wednesday at.....

50c

## HEAVY MUSLIN GOWNS—made with

square yoke prettily finished with hemstitching and lace, trimmed with ruffles; amply proportioned; an exceptional value at.....

50c

## CAMBRIC CORSET COVERS—high or low

neck styles, trimmed with lace and embroidery; have French back, full front; a special value at.....

50c

## FINE MUSLIN CHEMISE—square necked

yoke trimmed with fine embroidery edging and ribbon; well made, amply proportioned; priced at per garment.....

50c

## SECOND FLOOR.

## Men's All Wool Suits at \$6.95.

Broken Lines of \$11.50 to \$17.50 Values Less than Half

The great clearance sale inaugurated last week has been profitable of the most popular clothing circles of Los Angeles have known for a long time. There hasn't been an idle moment in our clothing department for such values are seldom offered anywhere. It is a clearance of odd lots and broken lines of strictly all wool Cheviot, Cassimere and Tweeds, made single breasted style; elegantly tailored, well lined, and are serviceable for workingmen's or business men's purposes. You will make a mistake if you do not take advantage of this sale, for you can save at least one-half what you would pay in the regular way. Choice of any suit in the lot at.....

\$6.95

## Exceptional Purchase White Shirtwaist Materials

Thousands of Yards from New York's Most Famous Modiste.

The famous French modiste, Mme. Boschell, who for the past decade has been recognized as the sponsor for the leading styles in shirtwaists and costumes in New York City, has but recently discontinued business and returned to France to take charge of an estate left in that country, and has disposed of her entire business in New York City. Her entire line of fine white goods-to be used for the coming Spring and summer business were closed out to our New York buyer at a sacrifice price. White will be the predominating favorite in summer waists and costumes, and the following choice textiles as enumerated in this ad will afford you an opportunity which you need not see duplicated anywhere.

## 45-Inch White Organdie—Soft chiffon

finish; an exceptionally fine quality, especially serviceable for full costumes and evening wear. Per yard.....

25c

## White Madras—A popular seasonable

textile for shirt waists. It is in as-doried striped patterns; all new and dainty, and a good value at 45 and 50c. Sale price per yard.....

25c

## Basketweave Duck—A fine full

bleached heavy linen finished material; the proper textile for white wash waists. Sale price per yard.....

25c

## Lace Striped Indian Linon—fancy

patterns; more than 25 different designs to select from. It is a well wearing fabric and easily worth 40c. Sale price per yard.....

25c

## White Persian Lawns—extra fine; ex-

ceptionally wide; has soft linen finish; a cool dressy shirt waist fabric. Per yard.....

35c

## 27 Inch Etamine Waistings—40 full

pieces. This is a handsome material, white with small narrow red, blue, black and brown stripes. Sale price per yard.....

50c

## 50c Knit Underwear 25c.

A sample lot of 300 garments, ladies, and children's vests and pants; either high neck long sleeve or low neck sleeveless; white only; assortment of 300 and 500 values, price Wednesday per garment.....

25c

## 25c Ribbons per Yard 15c.

For one day selling we offer a handsome lot of new all silk fancy ribbons in bow knot effects; colorings in white, red, blue, pink, turquoise and their combinations; extra quality, high luster, 2 1/2 inches wide, an actual 20c value, per yard.....

15c

## Pearl Soap per Cake 8c.

The genuine well known Pearl's unscented glycerine soap, a high-grade imported article; especially priced for Wednesday with a limit of one cake to a customer and no telephone or mail orders filled, price.....

8c

## New Dress Hats at \$10.00.

A full assortment of new spring hats, hand made of "Bamie," chip or hair braids, trimmed with combinations of the newest, most popular materials; shapes turban, box turbans and Shoppers; all of them caught with quills, jet pins and straw ornaments; price.....

\$10.00

## Ladies' Golf Vests at \$1.98.

A serviceable garment for athletic purposes as well as street wear, they are in black and white, also plain red and white. The lot is not large, possibly 50 vests in the assortment, go on sale as a Wednesday leader choice.....

\$1.98

## \$1.25 Percal Wrappers 9c.

A well made fine quality percale wrapper, have bretelles over shoulder, are made full front, lined to waist, pleated backs, Bishop sleeves, deep flounce, an actual \$1.25 value for Wednesday.....

9c

## SECOND FLOOR.

## Hamburger's

Featuring Infants' Wear.

Nestly Made Children's Garments at Reduced Prices.

It is our object to clean up all odd lots and broken lines of infants' wear before the new spring and summer goods arrive. This department is situated on the second floor, and is well secluded, affording the mothers a chance to bring babies with them where they will not inconvenience any one while making their purchases. This is a feature that any woman will appreciate.

Infants' \$1.98 Long Dresses at 69c.

An elegant assortment of infants' long dresses, all of exceptionally fine materials, prettily trimmed with embroidery and lace; some have become slightly soiled from handling and window displays, but 69c were originally priced at \$1.98. Choice for Wednesday.....

Infants' 25c Slips at 15c.

A very pretty well made best cloth slip, trimmed with valencienne lace, sold regularly at 25c. Priced this week to close.....

15c

Infants' Crocheted Sacques at 19c.

A dainty little garment which prevents baby from being chilled; is a good value at 19c; these sacques are hand made, and colors are white, blue and pink; sale price.....

19c

Infants' 98c Diapers per Dozen 69c.

No use of purchasing the material and making them where they can be purchased ready made at this price. They are of the popular "Birds Eye" diapering and sold regularly at 98c, but for this sale will be priced at per dozen.....

69c

Children's \$1.50 Coats at 98c.

A handsome assortment of all wool coats elaborately trimmed with white silk braid; sizes 6 months to 4 years; sold regularly at \$1.50; priced this week at choice.....

98c

SECOND FLOOR.

## Ladies' New Tailored Suits.

The excellence of ready-to-wear garments is of such high quality that many women have ceased to have garments made, thus doing away with all the trouble of fitting at the dressmakers and the bother of selecting the goods by the yard. You are now able to see what effect a piece of goods will give after it is made up. We are just beginning to show the new spring lines, among which the following choice values will be especially featured.

## NEW TAILORED SUITS—See grade all wool

Venetian cloth; colors tan and blue only; jackets made in popular blouse style; skirts have the very latest flare; they are well tailored and perfect fitting; price.....

\$10.00

## NEW TAILORED SUITS—most popular of

the new colorings, also black; have blouse jackets in collarless style; latest flare shape skirt; either plain, self or silk trimmed and well tailored. Price.....

\$15.00

## NEW TAILORED SUITS—materials are

Velvet and Cheviot; jackets in the Venetian blouse style; skirts in the newest flare shape; trimmed with fancy bands; silk; matchless elsewhere under \$20.00. Our price.....

\$20.00

## NEW TAILORED SUITS—materials are

Broad cloth, Cheviot and fancy mixtures; jackets are the very latest cut; skirts the newest flare; the suits are in the very best colorings, also black; they are well tailored, perfect in fit and a special value at.....

\$25.00

## SECOND FLOOR.

## Snap in Men's Shoes.

\$3.50 Electric Cushion Shoes at \$2.95.

For the man who is on his feet a great deal foot comfort is the one great essential. To secure this you must needs have a pair of shoes which give full play to the foot and yet is shapely, for a shoe too large or too small is bound to be uncomfortable. As a special feature for Wednesday selling we place on sale 1000 pairs of a high grade Electric Cushion Sole Shoe; they are of vic kid, have Goodyear welt soles, are in all sizes and D and E widths only. An electric cushion sole is to a foot what a pneumatic tire is to a wheel. This line of shoes were made to sell at \$3.50 and that is the regular price, as special for the one day we price them at choice.....

\$2.95

choice.....

## HAMBURGERS UNDER-PRICE BASEMENT

80c Granite Cheviots—38 inches

wide, new shades, most popular colors; price per yard.....

25c

80c Outings—Woven dash patterns,

colors red, gray and brown; price per yard.....

19c

80c Novelty Dress Goods—A select

assortment of good weaves, suitable for children's wear; price per yard.....

25c

80c All Wool Dress Goods—38 in-

ches wide, a popular dress weave material; colors gray, brown and green; price per yard.....

39c

10c Bath Towels—48 inches

long, fringed, very heavy and absorbent; price.....

8c

10c Dress Percal—Double

fold, red, green and white figures, per yard.....

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